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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Minutes of the US Army Medical Command Data Quality for AMEDD Success Team (DQFAST)

- 1. The DQFAST met in Room 107, US Army Patient Administration Systems and Biostatistics Activity (PASBA) Conference Room, Building 126, at 0900 on 17 June 2003.
 - a. Members Present:

COL Clark, Team Leader, PASBA
MAJ Wesloh, Deputy Director, PASBA
MAJ Briggs-Anthony, Data Management Branch, PASBA
Ms. Robinson, Data Quality Section, PASBA
Mr. Padilla, RM, MEDCOM
Ms. Mallett, Coding and Training Section, PASBA

b. Members Absent:

COL Jones, ACofS, HP&S, MEDCOM LTC Young-McCaughan, Outcomes Management, MEDCOM MAJ Stewart, PAD, MEDCOM MAJ Petray, RM, MEDCOM MAJ Anderson, IMD, OTSG MAJ Ulsher, Decision Support Branch, PASBA CPT Blocker, Decision Support Cell, OTSG Ms. Cyr, ACofS, PA&E, MEDCOM Mr. Beers, Internal Review, MEDCOM Mr. Fannin, IRAC, MEDCOM

Ms. Leaders, TRICARE Operations Division, MEDCOM

Ms. Bacon, AMPO, MEDCOM

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c. Others Present:

Mr. Cardenas, Representing AMPO, MEDCOM Mr. Bacon, Data Quality Section, PASBA

- 2. Opening Remarks. The format of the DQFAST meeting needs to be modified. We will discuss potential topics for future meetings. We need better participation from the Office of The Surgeon General (OTSG) and Medical Command members. Currently, most attendees are from the PASBA.
- 3. Old/Ongoing Business.
- a. Approval of Minutes. The June minutes were delayed because of administrative changes. They will be forwarded to the committee members for approval.
 - b. The DQFAST Metrics (exceptions only). There were no exceptions to the report.
 - c. Medical Expense and Performance Reporting System (MEPRS) Update. None.
- d. Coding Issues. A new process has been developed to identify erroneous codes for small pox, anthrax, and abortions.
- e. Deployment Issues. We have received Standard Inpatient Data Records (SIDRs) and are entering the data into the Patient Accounting and Reporting Realtime Tracking System. The information we are receiving on the SIDR is incomplete. We are receiving analysis queries from OTSG.
- 4. New Business. Members were distributed a list of potential DQFAST meeting topics for review and asked to submit suggested topics from their respective areas. The following topics were discussed as possible areas to be added to the DQFAST agenda.
- a. Business Processes. This will include Clinical Practice Guidelines, data quality policy issues, and current processes already in place.
- b. Data. New topics will include data flow, data analysis, and systems synchronization. We will continue to discuss metrics and Data Quality Management Control Program issues, Clinical Outcomes and the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act/Data Security.
- c. Coding. Potential topics for coding will include current issues and potential resolutions. We will also include the status of systems, i.e., Coding Compliance Editor, Provide Graphic User Interface and Composite Health Care System II.

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- d. Resource Management. We will continue with the MEPRS update and include applicable Resource Management issues. A recommendation was made to amend membership from the Management Branch to the Program Branch of Resource Management. The topics discussed in the DQFAST are more aligned with this branch.
 - e. Deployments. This will include current deployment data issues.
- 5. The meeting adjourned at 1000. The next meeting will be on 22 July 2003.

LARRY J. CLARK COL, MS DQFAST Team Leader

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